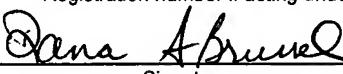




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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b>		Docket Number (Optional)
<b>FY 2005</b> <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>		2500 Div2CON2DIV3CON2 (203-3515 Div2CON2DIV3CON2)
Application Number 10/662,923		Filed September 15, 2003
For FLUID OPERATED RETRACTORS		
Art Unit 3731		Examiner Michael H. Thaler
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.		
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):		
	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. <input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>21-0550</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.		
<b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b>		
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.		
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).		
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 <u>45,717</u>		
 Signature		February 3, 2006
Dana A. Brussel		(631) 501-5713
Typed or printed name		Telephone Number
NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.		

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on date below as first class mail, postpaid in an envelope, addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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